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**MINE SCHOOLS REORGANIZED:**  
**MORE MINE REACH 1950 DATE**

PRODUCTION TRAINING IMPROVED -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 170, 21 Jul 49

720 and trade schools which train personnel for the coal industry have been reorganized into mine industry schools and mine industry higher schools (voshishche) of the Ministry of Labor Reserves USSR. The reorganization is designed to improve the production training in these schools. The training course in the schools is 6 months and higher schools, 2 years. Mine trade schools are being converted into mine technical schools with a 7-year training course. These schools are primarily for children of coal industry workers and will provide both general secondary and specialized mine technical education equivalent to the course in mine technical schools.

COMBINE TOP 8-MONTH PLAN -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 191, 14 Aug 49

The "Moskvingol" Combine fulfilled the 8-month plan for coal mining on 12 August. The average daily coal output of the combine increased 14 percent over the same period of 1948 and labor productivity per worker increased 12.5 percent. "Stalingorskogol", "Shcherbakovogol" and "Okt'yabr'ngol" were the best-operating ones in this area.

Trud, No 190, 13 Aug 49

The "Tulangol" Coal Combine completed the 8-month plan for coal mining on 12 August. In comparison with the same period of 1948, average daily production of fuel increased 13.8 percent and labor productivity rose 14.8 percent.

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COMBINE REACHES 1950 RATE -- Pravda, No 221, 9 Aug 49

In January 1949, the "Tulungol" Combine attained the average daily rate of coal production planned for 1950. Now the combine is stepping up the competition to complete its Five-Year Plan for volume of production in 4 years. The competition has brought good results. The combine was awarded the Transferable Red Banner of the Council of Ministers USSR. The leading trusts of the combine, the "Krasnoyarskiy" and "Skuratovskiy" are already producing coal for the September account. Productivity of labor is greatly above plan.

BASIN ATTAINS 1950 RATE -- Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, No 154, 9 Aug 49

Miners of the Karaganda coal basin exceeded the plan for the first 3 years of the Five-Year Plan. In 1949, they have sharply increased the tempo of operations and have attained the coal mining rate planned for 1950. The "Leninskoye" (Serikov, administrator) and "Uglerskiy" trusts, 18 mines, and one open pit have completed the 7-month plan. The "Leningol" Trust is also fulfilling its production program.

Mechanization of coal mining is the most important condition for progress in the Karaganda coal industry. The present level of mechanization in Karaganda mines greatly exceeds the prewar level. Conveyance of coal in drifts and underground haulage is almost completely mechanized in Karaganda. The number of drilling machines in operation has increased by 82 percent, conveyers 57 percent, and electric mine locomotives 4 percent. Improved scraper conveyers have replaced tipping conveyers in transporting coal from drifts. About 10 percent of the coal loading done in the Karaganda Combine is now mechanized. Drilling and holing machines, drilling-loading machines, and loading machines have been put in operation.

Karaganda Combine miners have made enormous progress. However, there are some serious shortcomings in the operation of the Karaganda coal industry. Great reserves for a further increase in the tempo of coal mining are far from being completely utilized. During the first half of 1949, one-half of the mines and pits and about two-thirds of the sections in the Karaganda Combine did not meet the plan. The combine has permitted an increase in the net cost of coal. Labor productivity is greatly below plan, although it has increased over last year. -- S. Polimbetov, head of the heavy industry section, Central Committee, KP(%) Kazakhstan

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